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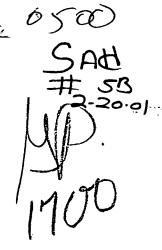
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THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments prior to examination of the application.

In the Specification

Page 2, line 33, delete "one or more".

In the Claims

1L(twice amended). A disc brake rotor having a grey cast iron composition, wherein said composition comprises between 0.5 and 1.2% by weight of copper, and a plurality of hard Parbide forming metals including both vanadium and titanium, the ratio between the weight of copper present and the total weight of said hard carbide forming metals being 1.8 to 3